

<p style="text-align: center;">MINUTES OF THE GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS, SOCIAL WORKERS AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS January 13, 2006</p>

The Georgia Composite Board of Professional Counselors, Social Workers and Marriage and Family Therapists met on Friday, January 13, 2006, at 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia. This meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. with the following members present:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jan Ligon, CSW, Chair
Patricia Harwell, MFT, Vice Chair
Helen W. Coale, CSW
Tracy L. Hurst, LPC
William Carlos Jackson, MFT
Janet H. Lenard, CSW
G. William Quarterman, LPC
Gene T. Schrader, MFT

MEMBERS ABSENT

Eric Groh, LPC
Sandra L. Hollett, Consumer

STAFF PRESENT

Lee Tracy, Executive Director
Sandy Stemberge, Applications Specialist
Dena Kirkman, Board Secretary
Patricia Downing, Assistant Attorney General

GUESTS

Sue Fort, NASW
Gale Macke, LPC

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:10 a.m. motion Jackson, seconded Harwell, and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A. 43-1-2-(k) and 43-1-19(h) to deliberate on applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications and investigative reports. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Board members Coale, Hurst, Lenard, Ligon, Quarterman, and Schrader. The Board **concluded Executive Session** in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

OPEN SESSION

INVESTIVATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

COMP040045	Committee recommends that case be dismissed.
COMP060035	Committee recommends that case be dismissed.
COMP060027	Committee recommends that case be dismissed.
COMP060021	Committee recommends that case be dismissed.
COMP060039	Committee recommends that case be dismissed with Letter of Concern.
COMP030029	Committee recommends that a Consent Order be sent to Respondent.
COMP030030	Committee recommends that a Consent Order be sent to the Respondent.
COMP060001	Committee recommends that case be dismissed.
Kenneth Parker	Committee recommends acceptance of Voluntary Surrender of License.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Tracy reported that the Statistic Report maintained for the Board showed that the number of applicants licensed over the past four years were as follows: MFT – 106, PC – 1569, SW – 1471. The averages per year were: MFT – 26, PC – 392, SW – 368. Ms. Tracy brought to the attention of the Board that the rules to be voted to post only had changes to the accreditation organizations name. Ms. Tracy thanked the Board members for all the hard work done by the Board in the past year.

MINUTES

Motion Jackson, seconded Lenard and motion carried, to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2005 meeting.

MISCELLANEOUS

Gale Macke, Executive Director of LPCA, announced that the LPCA was putting a resolution before the Legislature concerning the pro bono work done by the Professional Counselors, Social Workers, and Marriage and Family Therapists for the Hurricane Katrina evacuees in Georgia.

RULES REVISION

Jan Ligon, Board Chair, presented Rule 135-5-.01(b)(1), Rule 135-5-0.2(b)(1), Rule 135-5-.02(c)(1), Rule 135-5-.02(d)(1), Rule 135-5-.02(e)(1), Rule 135-5-.02(f)(1), Rule 135-5-.05(a)(10), and Rule 135-5-.05(b)(1) for Posting and the Board voted that the formulation and adoption of Rule 135-5-.01(b)(1), Rule 135-5-.02(b)(1), Rule 135-5-.02(c)(1), Rule 135-5-.02(d)(1), Rule 135-5-.02(e)(1), Rule 135-5-.02(f)(1), Rule 135-.05(a)(10), and Rule 135-5-.05(b)(1) does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed rule cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19, 43-1-25, 43-10A-3, 43-10A-5, 43-10A-11, and 43-10A-17.

It is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19, 43-1-25, 43-10A-3, 43-10A-5, 43-10A-11, and 43-10-A-17 to adopt or implement differing actions for

businesses as listed at O.C.G.A. §50-13-4(3)(A), (B), (C) and (D). The formulation and adoption of this rule will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed, owned and operated and dominant in the fields of Professional Counseling, Social Work, and Marriage and Family Therapy.

Jan Ligon, Board Chair, presented Rule 135-5-.06(a)(1), Rule 135-5-.06(c)(1)(ii), and Rule 135-5-.06(d)(1)(ii) for Posting and the Board voted that the formulation and adoption of Rule 135-5-.06(a)(1), Rule 135-5-.06(c)(1)(ii), and Rule 135-5-.06(c)(1)(ii) does not impose excessive regulatory cost on any licensee and any cost to comply with the proposed rule cannot be reduced by a less expensive alternative that fully accomplishes the objectives of O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19, 43-1-25, 43-10A-3, 43-10A-5, 43-10A-8, and 43-10A-13.

It is not legal or feasible to meet the objectives of O.C.G.A. § 43-1-19, 43-1-25, 43-10A-3, 43-10A-5, 43-10A-8, and 43-10A-13 to adopt or implement differing actions for businesses as listed in O.C.G.A. § 50-13-4(3)(A)(B)(C) and (D). The formulation and adoption of these proposed rule amendments will impact every licensee in the same manner and each licensee is independently licensed, owned and operated in the field of Professional Counseling, Social Work, and Marriage and Family Therapy.

Motion Lenard, seconded Jackson and motion carried, to post the proposed rule changes to the following rules: **Rule 135-5-.01(b)(1), Rule 135-5-.02(b)(1), Rule 135-5-.02(c)(1), Rule 135-5-.02(d)(1), Rule 135-5-.02(d)(1), Rule 135-5-.02(e)(1), Rule 135-5-.02(f)(1), Rule 135-5-.05(b)(1), Rule 135-5-.06(c)(1)(ii), Rule 135-5-.06(d)(1)(ii) and Rule 135-5-.05(a)(10), Rule 135-5-.06(a)(1).**

THE BOARD MOVED TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING REPORTS:

Motion Harwell, seconded Coale and motion carried, to accept the **Marriage and Family Therapy Standards Report.**

**MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS
EXAM**

Long, Amy	Approved
McLeroy, Margaret	Approved
Parker, Michele	Approved

**MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS
EXAM**

Looney, Lloyd	Approved
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**MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS
ENDORSEMENT**

Wright, Nancy	Denied
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Motion Hurst, seconded Jackson and motion carried, to accept the **Licensed Professional Counselors Standards Report**.

INTERVIEW

Wilkins, Denise	Denied
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ASSOCIATE PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS EXAM

Christ, James	Approved
Dixon, James	Approved
Eason, Michael	Approved
Fagbemi, Samuel	Approved
Higgins, Bryn	Denied
Kindell, Aliyah	Approved
McCarthy, Kelly	Denied
McNichols, Aloise	Approved
Moon, Pat	Approved

APC EXAM WAIVER

Black, Christie	Approved
Burrell-Hill, Kimberly	Approved
Cresse, Kim	Approved
Grist, Virginia	Approved
Harnois, Deborah	Approved
Holcomb, Rachel	Approved
Jordan, Amanda	Approved
Kuhlke, Anne	Approved
Serritella, Margaret	Approved
Schettini, Kelly	Approved
Smith, Neca	Approved

APC CONTRACT AFFIDAVIT/SUPERVISOR

Alton, Walter	Approved
Dennany, Blessing	Approved
Franklin, Sylvia	Approved
Jones, Marcia	Approved
Rainwater, Jill	Approved
Redding, James	Approved
Sharp, Julie	Approved
Simpson, Leah	Approved
Spina, Wanda	Approved
Werstlein, Whitney	Approved
Wilson, Sandra	Approved

W-2 DOCUMENTATION

Schneider, Wendy	Approved
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LPC EXAM

Curtas, Brett	Denied
Hamill, Cecilia	Denied
Riley, Sara	Approved
Rolle, Helen	Approved
Smith, Steven	Denied

LPC EXAM WAIVER

Appleby, Elizabeth	Approved
Bennett, Kimberly	Approved
Bryant, Rhonda	Approved
Cameron, Willie	Approved
Chastain, Terry	Approved
Clark, Carmen	Approved
Cobb, Christopher	Approved
Davis, Patrick	Approved
Drinko, Marie	Denied
Guice, Ophelia	Approved
Jones, Rachel	Approved
Merriwether, Monee	Approved
Morris, Kimberly	Approved
Oliver, Tyrone	Approved
Saunders, Tamika	Approved
Taylor, Margene	Approved
Vines, Gina	Approved

LPC ENDORSEMENT

Shaw, Sherri	Approved
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LPC REACTIVATION

Parvis, Matthew	Approved
Salter, Lois	Approved

LPC REINSTATEMENT

Bouman, Timothy	Approved
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Motion Lenard, seconded Harwell and motion carried, to accept the **Social Workers Standards Report.**

INTERVIEW

Downey, Deborah MSW	Denied
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MASTERS SOCIAL WORKER
EXAM

Bromell, Traci	Approved
Cramer, David	Approved
Farrie, Pamela	Denied
Givan, Leah	Approved
McKie, Melody	Approved
Phillips, Avril	Denied
Riley, Tracy	Approved
Rutter, Kristen	Approved
Smith, Bridget	Approved

MSW EXAM WAIVER

Allen, Synthia	Approved
Boykin, Evelyn	Approved
DeFois, Christiane	Approved
DeVaul, Susan	Approved
Hall, Felicia	Approved
McArthur, Amber	Approved
Oxley, Andeena	Approved
Pearson, Stacey	Approved
Vandevender, Sandra	Approved
Walker, Faith	Approved
Withers, Tanya	Approved

MSW REINSTATEMENT

Hawkins, Peggy	Approved
Humphrey, Yvette	Approved Pending

CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER
EXAM

Bailey, Vivian	Approved
Bray, Dawn	Approved
Charpentier, Dara	Approved
Comtois, Stephanie	Approved
Deming, Laura	Denied
Edet, Esther	Approved
Filer, Stephanie	Denied
Foster, Terrie	Approved
Henry, Sophia	Approved
Larry, Kevin	Approved
Lough, Jane	Denied
Naylor, Raymond	Approved
Neal, Jo	Pending Board Interview
Petta, Marlene	Pending Board Interview

Phillips, Richard	Denied
Simms, Toni	Denied
Smith, Sonya	Pending Board Interview
Troup, Coretta	Approved
Warnett, Katherine	Approved

CSW EXAM WAIVER

Ackerman, Mindy	Approved
Bloom, Suzanne	Approved
Davis, Diana	Approved
Fletcher, Ronald	Approved
Howk, Tracy	Approved
Sahler, Kim	Denied
Winestock, Elizabeth	Denied

CSW REINSTATEMENT

Porter, Seymone	Denied
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VOTE ON INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Motion Hurst, seconded Schrader and motion carried, to accept the report of the Investigations Committee. Coale abstained from voting on the Investigations Committee Report .

ADJOURNMENT

Motion Jackson, seconded Schrader and motion carried, to adjourn the meeting at 3:00 p.m.

Jan Ligon, L.C.S.W., Chair
GEORGIA COMPOSITE BOARD OF
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AND FAMILY THERAPISTS

Mollie L. Fleeman, J.D., Division Director
PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARDS
DIVISION

Minutes approved February 10, 2006.

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